



## **BEARFACTS 1990 – 2000**

### **Las Cruces (MSA) [29740]**

Las Cruces is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2000 population of 175,013 ranked 213th in the nation.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2000 Las Cruces had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$17,827. This PCPI ranked 356th in the United States and was 60 percent of the national average, \$29,845. The 2000 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.4 percent from 1999. The 1999-2000 national change was 6.8 percent. In 1990 the PCPI of Las Cruces was \$12,611 and ranked 356th in the United States. The 1990-2000 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.4 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2000 Las Cruces had a total personal income (TPI) of \$3,119,994\*. This TPI ranked 274th in the United States. In 1990 the TPI of Las Cruces was \$1,722,578\* and ranked 290th in the United States. The 2000 TPI reflected an increase of 4.1 percent from 1999. The 1999-2000 national change was 8.0 percent. The 1990-2000 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.6 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Las Cruces. In 2000 net earnings accounted for 63.7 percent of TPI (compared with 67.0 in 1990); dividends, interest, and rent were 17.5 percent (compared with 19.0 in 1990); and personal current transfer receipts were 18.8 percent (compared with 14.0 in 1990). From 1999 to 2000 net earnings increased 3.0 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 4.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.4 percent. From 1990 to 2000 net earnings increased on average 5.6 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 9.3 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Las Cruces increased from \$1,938,753\* in 1999 to \$1,988,756\* in 2000, an increase of 2.6 percent. The 1999-2000 national change was 8.0 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1990 estimate of \$1,207,009\* to the 2000 estimate was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.8 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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